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Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, founder of the Farmers' Cooperative Demonstration Work, died on April 1, 1911. Since that time his son, the Honorable Bradford Knapp, as Chief of the Extension Work in the South, has faithfully and successfully carried on this great movement for the betterment of Southern Agriculture.

Small wonder that now at the zenith of his success hands reach forth to ruthlessly tear him from our midst. The call is as music to his ear when Arkansas with promises of help and cooperation makes a direct appeal for the magnetic leadership of Dr. Bradford Knapp. Her cry prevails.

On January 15, 1920, Dr. Bradford Knapp leaves us alone to fulfil our destiny.

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COUNTY AGENT AND HOME DEMONSTRATION MEETINGS ETC.
COLLEGE SHORT COURSES AND FAIRS.

The resignation of Dr. Bradford Knapp, Chief of the Office of Extension Work in the South, causes deep sorrow throughout the entire Service. On January 15, 1920, Dr. Knapp resigns his present position to accept that of Dean and Director of the College of Agriculture and of Experiment Stations in the State of Arkansas. The Office of Extension Work, South extends to him heartfelt wishes for his future happiness and success in the new position. From henceforth the "tie that binds" the state of Arkansas and the States Relations Service will be forged from links of steel.

In assuming his new duties in the Agricultural College of Arkansas Dr. Knapp will find an able assistant in the services of the former Dean, Dr. Martin Nelson.

First Aid wishes to thank Mr. Jesse M. Jones of the Agricultural and Industrial Department of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad for his pleasant correction of the statement concerning the championships won by the South at the International Live-stock Show held at Chicago. An invitation to a higher seat in the honors of this world is a most acceptable one at all times. Mr. Jones states that six grand championships were won by the South instead of four, as first announced. "One going to Texas on Shorthorn cow, two to Tennessee on Shorthorn and Angus bulls, two to Georgia, on Hereford bull and Duroc boar, respectively, and one to Florida on Poland China Sow." Mr. Jones further states "It is an honor that has come to the South-eastern States, because the ribbons to Georgia and Florida went far outside of the sections growing those crops that are produced in large quantities in the Corn belt of the United States."

Mr. Jones is as you see especially proud of the fact that three of these grand championships went into territory served by the Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

The Office of Extension Work, South is glad to announce that the meeting held at Gulfport, Mississippi, last month was conducted in a most satisfactory manner. "Absolutely business from start to finish" is the report made by one taking an active part in the meeting.

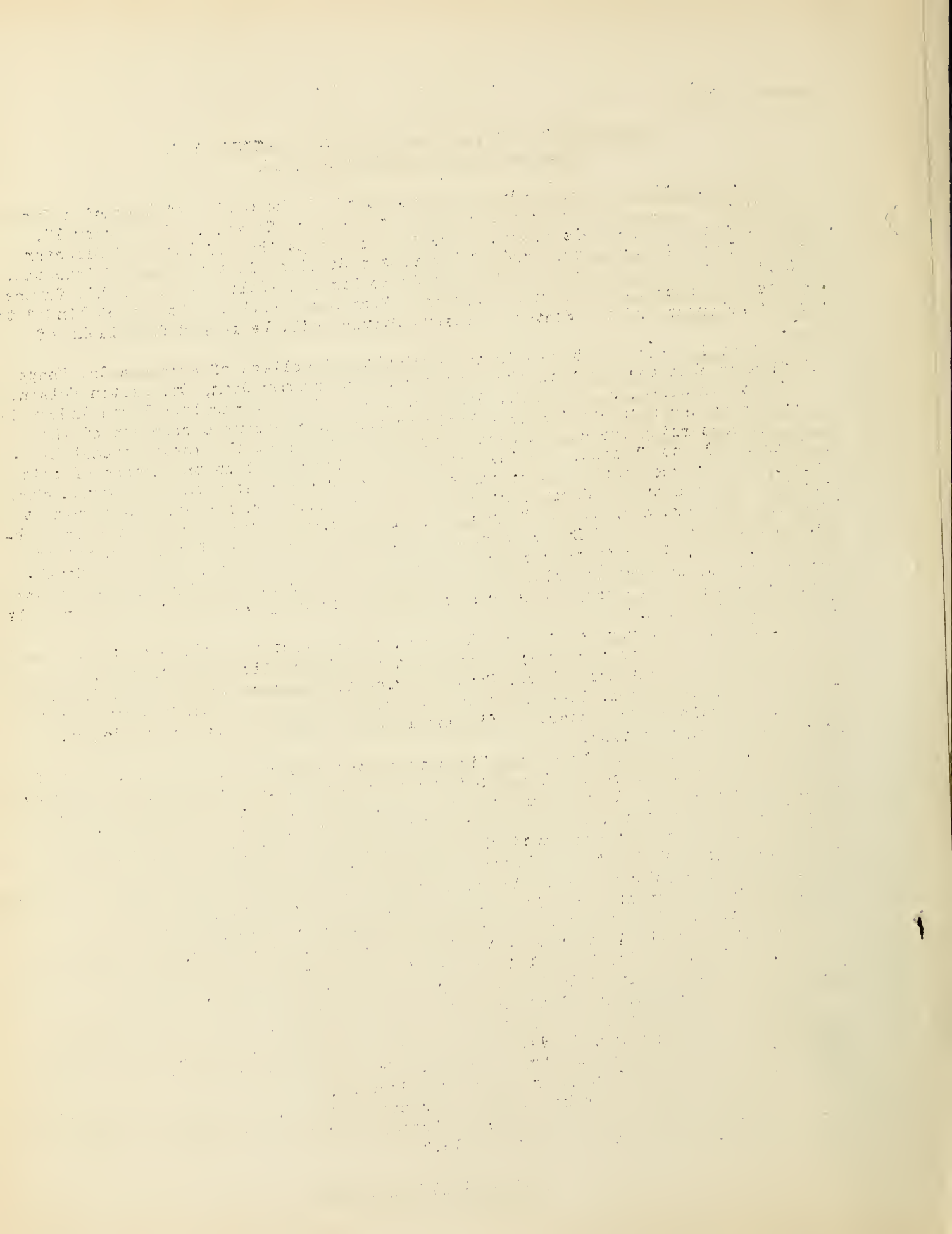
Mr. O. H. Benson has been made Director of the Junior Achievement, Bureau of the Eastern States Agricultural and Industrial League, with headquarters at Springfield, Massachusetts. This organization is formed by about thirty-five men who secured from ten states a fund of about \$300,000 to be used for a period of five years. This work is not connected with the Department of Agriculture, but will prove especially helpful to the boys' and girls' work not easily reached by the Department of Agriculture. This description of Mr. Benson's work is made to correct any misleading statement given in a previous issue of First Aid.

The North and West is to be especially commended in the wise selection of Dr. George E. Farrell, in charge of the Boys' and Girls' Club work, as successor to Mr. O. H. Benson. Dr. Farrell is a man of most pleasing personality, and well fitted to fill the position left vacant by the resignation of Dr. Benson.

At the Farm Bureau Organization held in Chicago in November, the executive committee of the temporary organization for the Southern states was composed of Gray Silver of Martinsburg, W. Va.; J. W. Morton of Athens, Georgia, and George Bishop of Cordell, Washita county, Oklahoma. Mr. Bishop is also associate editor of the Oklahoma Farmer, a Senator Capper publication.

Among many matters brought before the states for consideration by the American Farm Bureau Federation is the question of "conducting an advertising campaign to tell the farmers' story to the city people."

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The S.R.S. "Get together Entertainment" arranged by a committee of which Mr. C. Merritt is chairman, will be held at the Wilson Normal School from 8 to 11 on the evening of January 23rd. Judging from the success of a recent meeting held at the National Museum under the direction of Mr. Merritt, the success of the evening can already be foretold.

A meeting of the National Board of Farm Organizations will be held in Washington February 19 and 20.

To encourage better and more economical methods and the production and distribution of livestock and livestock products, a permanent cooperative livestock shippers federation was formed in Chicago in December by twenty-one states and four Canadian provinces. Among the states represented were Tennessee, Oklahoma, Kentucky and Louisiana.

Messrs. John T. Wayland and L. A. Wilson, Savings Directors of the Government Federal Reserve Banks in Missouri, have copies of "First Aid" sent to them each month and therefore it certainly seems but an act of courtesy to mention that the Farmers' Week for Missouri will be held at the Columbia University from January 19 to 23.

National Thrift Week will begin on January 17. The motto is "Work and Save."

Directors of the National Organization of the American Farm Bureaus will meet in Chicago on March 5, at which meeting the states will qualify if ready to join the National Organization.

ALABAMA.

Miss Keown, of this Office, brings to our attention that the family of J. B. Russell of Winterboro asked for help on planning a home. Mrs. Russell is the president of the Home Demonstration Club. The Division of Rural Engineering and the Office of Horticulture were asked to cooperate with the Home Demonstration Workers. The work is to help in the planning and planting necessary for making the Home more attractive.

The following is quoted from a letter of a Talladega county citizen: "These people are fully realizing the benefits of government assistance applied to every day tasks and rural life in general. This is the spirit of Winterboro which has crystallized into the development of the 'Community Beautiful' and is destined to be with its progressiveness and foresight a leader in this particular line of endeavor. The Winterboro plan is developing new interest every day. Already four people have applied for quotations on lands in Winterboro with the definite purpose of buying homes and locating them permanently. I think this is one of the best features yet shown, and more real development is sure to follow."

No definite date has yet been received for the holding of the training course for the prospective Home Demonstration Workers to be held in the month of January at the Alabama State Agricultural College.

The fact that diversification follows closely in the wake of the boll weevil is shown in the erection of a monument by the farmers of Alabama bearing the inscription "In profound appreciation of the boll weevil and what it has done as the herald of prosperity, this monument is erected by the citizens of Enterprise, Coffee county, Alabama."

The Southern Cattlemen's Association will meet at Montgomery, from January 28 to 30.

ARKANSAS.

Dr. Bradford Knapp will assume his duties as Dean and Director of the College of Agriculture and of Experiment Stations on January 16, 1920.

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ARKANSAS. (Cont'd.)

The Official headquarters of the Arkansas Division of the American Cotton Association will be opened at 410 A.O.U.W. Building in Little Rock. Officers in Charge as follows:

J. R. Alexander of Scott, President; J. D. Eldridge, First Vice-President; W. J. Hartsfield of Washington, Second Vice-President; Clio Harper of Little Rock, Secretary; B. C. Powell of Little Rock, Treasurer.

Mr. Frants P. Lund of this Office, is requested to attend the Short Course in Mississippi county, Arkansas, the second week in February and give a Meat Canning and Curing Demonstration.

Cooperative Livestock Marketing has enabled the Arkansas Farmers to make a net savings of \$65,000 above what would have been made by the farmers in selling for the highest prices on the local markets.

A meeting will be held of a Tractor and Farm Implement School for five days at Little Rock, beginning January 12.

FLORIDA.

The Annual ten day Short Course for Farmers will be held at the College of Agriculture at Gainesville from January 6 to 17. Four courses will be given:

1st. Course in Animal Husbandry and General Agriculture; 2nd. Course in Poultry Husbandry; 3rd. Course in Citrus Culture and Spraying Machinery; 4th. Course in Tractors and Farm Machinery. Catalogues will be issued on request by the Dean of the College of Agriculture.

An additional feature of interest at this meeting in Gainesville is the making of a report by a Farm Management Survey man.

Still no date has been given for the Fourth Annual meeting of the Florida State Engineering Society to be held at Tampa.

The Swine Growers' Association of the States of Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and South Carolina will meet in Jacksonville, January 20 to 22 to discuss problems relating to the Swine industry.

GEORGIA.

A Farmers' Short Course will be held January 20 to 30 at Athens. This year the meeting will be called the "Boll Weevil School."

Miss Madge Reese of this Office, will be present at Athens for the Short Course of the Home Demonstration Agents about January 27 - 28, and give talks and demonstrations on the Farm Home Dairy Work.

A County Agents' meeting will be held at Athens January 7 to 10.

A State wide meeting of County Farm Bureaus will be held at Atlanta on January 6.

A meeting of the Association of the Southern Agricultural Workers will be held at Atlanta from February 24 to 26. A program will be issued early in that month.

KENTUCKY.

The regular Annual Short Courses in Agriculture and Home Economics offered by the College of Agriculture will be held for fifteen weeks from November 3 to February 27.

Home Demonstration Agents are holding a three weeks seminar at Lexington January 5 to 30, inclusive. Dr. Bradford Knapp is urged to be present and address the women agents on January 28.

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KENTUCKY. (Cont'd.)

The County Agents' meeting will be held at Lexington the last week in January.

The Kentucky Beef Cattle Association, Horse Breeders' Association and Sheep Breeders Association will be held during Farmers' Week at the University, Lexington, the last week in January. E. S. Good, Secretary.

The Dairyman's Association will be held at Lexington on January 29.

LOUISIANA.

Dr. Bradford Knapp is requested to make a number of addresses during the week of January 13 to 20 in the big membership drive for the American Cotton Association.

The Louisiana Jersey Breeders' Association will be held at Alexandria March 8 and 9.

MARYLAND.

A County Agents' meeting will be held at Chestertown January 6, 7, & 8.

A Tomato Growers' Association will be held on January 13, at 201 Walnut Street, Salisbury. J. F. Shields, Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI.

Miss Susie V. Powell is planning to hold the Annual Home Demonstration meeting at the A. & M. College January 19 to 24th.

A request has been received from the Agricultural College of the state for the services of Mr. Frants P. Lund to give instructions in meat curing at this meeting.

The Farmers' Short Course in Traction and Farm Machinery will be held at the A. & M. College from January 13 to 29th.

A Creamery Short Course will be held at the A. & M. College from December 3 to March 4. No tuition charged.

The Office of Extension Work South showed deep interest in yet another illustration of the wonderful business qualities developed in the girls of Mississippi by the Club Work. In December, seven girls, prize winners of the trip to Washington given by the bankers and business men of Mississippi to the girls who made the highest all round records in Club Work, clearly stated in the presence of Dr. Knapp, Professor Martin, the Agriculturists and the Home Demonstration Workers, the manner in which they had made the net profits of their Canning and Poultry Club Work. The names of these prize winners with their net profits are stated below:

Miss Valerie Herring, Pearl River county, Poultry Club, net profit, \$525.35.

Miss Vivian Smith, Pearl River county, Poultry Club, net profit, \$386.25.

Miss Alta Sue Brown, Union county, Poultry Club, net profit, \$296.66.

Miss Gregory Russell, Lawrence county, Poultry Club, net profit, \$256.32.

Miss Nannie Ella Ward, Jasper county, Canning Club, net profit, \$191.16.

Miss Osma Strahan, Copiah county, Canning Club, net profit, \$144.14.

Miss Effie Ayers, Montgomery county, Canning Club, net profit, \$259.16.

"County agent Wall of Leake county, Mississippi has been very successful in the marketing of cotton cooperatively. Many outside buyers were attracted by the opportunity to buy in large lots. The prices obtained were considerably higher than the local markets."

The State will take pride in knowing that four of the standard 4-H Brand products are now used in the dining cars of the Southern, Seaboard Air Line and Atlantic Coast Line railroads. The names of the products are ; 4-H Grape paste, 4-H grape jelly, 4-H grape marmalade and 4-H grape butter.

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Mr. J. W. Willis, formerly State Agent, has been made Assistant Director of Extension in Mississippi. He will still be the man really in charge of the Farmers' Demonstration Agents of the state.

Mr. James E. Tanner, former District Agent of the Central part of the state, has been made State Agent in the Boys' Club Work for the State. This means he has charge of at least 22,000 boys.

The Horticultural Society for another year has reelected Mr. B. A. Craddock, of Humboldt, as President; Mr. I. C. Murphy of Columbia, general Vice-President, and Professor G. M. Bentley of Knoxville, Secretary and Treasurer.

The state Entomologist, Mr. R. W. Harned, charges the farmers to make a close examination of all nursery plants to be sure and see that the certificate of the state nursery inspector of Mississippi is attached. This step is to prevent disease.

NORTH CAROLINA.

A Short Course for the farmers and returned soldiers will be held at West Raleigh from January 8 to 29. Lessons on gas engines and tractors will be included in their instructions. No charge for tuition. Board \$18 and room rent \$10.

A Farmers' Short Course will be held at Knoxville from January 2 to February 13.

The North Carolina Hereford Cattle Breeders' Association will be held at Greensboro on April 8.

A Poultry Association will be held at Charlotte January 6 to 9. Mr. W. J. Edwards, Secretary.

The new president for the North Carolina Farmers' Union is Mr. R. W. H. Stone.

The state and National Department of Agriculture maintain five offices in North Carolina for helping farmers in officially grading and stapling their cotton.

With the cooperation of the bankers and business men of the state, North Carolina is planning to build three warehouses.

The State Board of Agriculture has elected Mr. T. B. Parker as Field Organizer and Director of Warehouses.

"The boys representing North Carolina in the Non-Collegiate Stock-judging Contest at the International Livestock Exposition held at Chicago, won the eighth place, making an average of 970 and outreaching four other teams from different section of the county."

The tours of the Farmers' Institute throughout the state will be discontinued. The Women's Institutes will continue and on request speakers will be furnished by the Department and Extension Service.

The Better Sires Campaign began on November 15 and will continue until January 15th.

OKLAHOMA.

The Agents' Meeting and Winter Short Course will be held at Stillwater for two weeks, beginning January 18. Mr. W. D. Bentley states as follows: "All county agents will be in attendance. The subject matter will be taken care of by the heads of the various departments in the colleges."

The Annual meeting of the Oklahoma Thresherman's Association will be held at the Huckens hotel in Oklahoma City, February 3, 4, 5. John Scott, President.

The Southwest American Livestock Show will be held in Oklahoma City, March 1 to 6.

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SOUTH CAROLINA.

Proffessor O. B. Martin and Miss Ola Powell of this Office will attend the Annual Home Demonstration Agents' meeting to be held at Winthrop College from January 30 to 30th. This is the first meeting at which the new state agent, Miss Christine M. Smith, will preside.

Miss Hannah Wessling of this Office will be present at the Annual meeting of the Home Demonstration Agents, and on January 23 will hold a demonstration on the use of the steam pressure cooker in the preparation of a complete meal.

Dr. Bradford Knapp is urged to be present at Winthrop College and make an address on opening day.

Miss Madge Reese of this Office will be present at the Home Demonstration meeting and on January 24, "Dairy Day" she will make an address and put on exhibit phases of the work.

TENNESSEE.

The Annual Short Course will be held at the University of this state, Knoxville, for a period of six weeks, beginning January 2 and continuing through February 13.

The second of the four meetings to consider a permanent organization of the Middle Tennessee Farmers' Institute will be held at Tullahoma on March 1, the third at Dickson on May 1, and the fourth at Columbia on June 1.

Miss Madge Reese of this Office will be at the Peabody College at Nashville during the last part of January and will help in the special course for training the Home Demonstration agents.

A meeting of the Gibson county Sheep and Wool Association will be held at Trenton on January 10.

A meeting of the Blount county Aberdeen Angus Association will be held at Marysville on March 1.

The Canning Club girls of this state have also been honored by having the Muscadine products of the 4-H Brand used by the Atlantic Coast Line, Seaboard Air Line and the Southern Railroads in their dining cars.

At the Fat Stock Show in Nashville the Hawkins county Boys' and Girls' Calf Club received the second prize of \$500 on their carload of baby beef grade Herefords.

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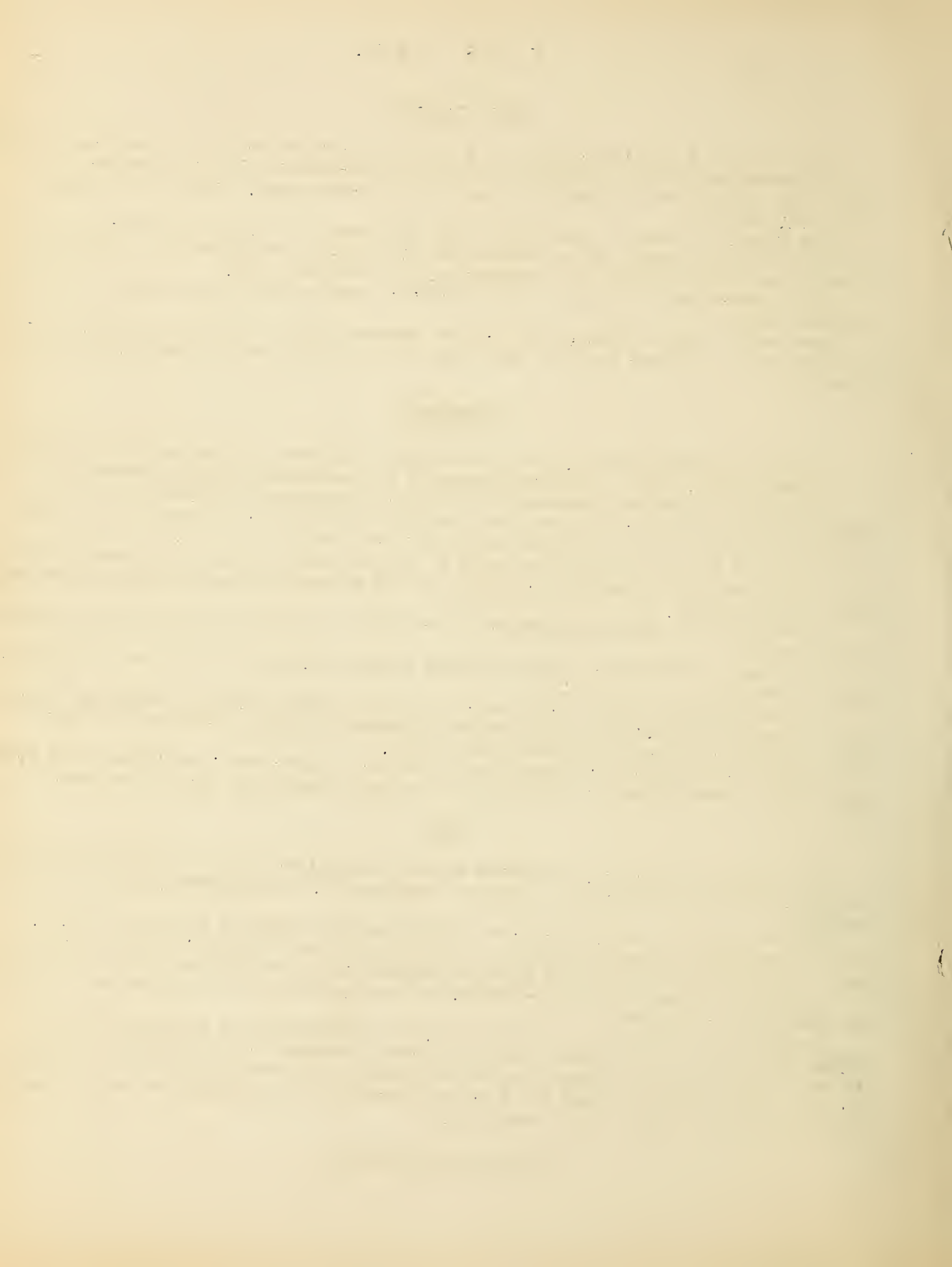
The Annual meeting of the American Cotton Association will be held at Dallas on January 14. For all information apply to Secretary W. C. Barrickman, 516 Slaughter Building.

The Cattlemen's Annual Convention will be held on March 16 to 18 at Houston. Prior to this the executive committee of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association will hold a quarterly meeting at Fort Worth on January 13, at the Office of the secretary.

A meeting of the Texas Honey Producers' Association will be held at San Antonio the third week in January.

President W. B. Bizzell of the A. & M. College^{and} Director of Extension, T. O. Walton, are both to be commended for their strong interest in the Organization of the State Council of Agriculture at the Conference of farmers held at Waco on December 11. Dallas county already has a county Council of Agriculture and Denton county is taking steps to form a like organization.

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VIRGINIA.

Men and women are invited to attend the Farmers' Winter Short Course to be held at Blacksburg February 3 to 27. Special courses will be given in Agronomy, Livestock husbandry, Horticulture, Soils, Manures and fertilizers, Farm crops etc. Tuition free.

The Norfolk Truckers Exchange will be held at Norfolk on January 15. Secretary, C. N. Burgess, 60 Church street.

The Southern Holstein Frisian Breeders' Association will hold an Auction sale at Richmond on April 22.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Farmers' Week, the Third Annual Conference of the Agricultural Extension Division, and the West Virginia Federation of Farm Bureaus will be held at Morgantown January 5 to 9.

Proffessor O. B. Martin of this Office will be present at this meeting and make an address on Friday the 9th at 1:45p.m.

Miss Powell of Extension Work South will also attend and hold conferences with the state agents.

"Following Farmers' Week a series of free courses in Agriculture will be given for a period of one week on each of the five subject groups: Livestock; Poultry and dairying; Agronomy, Veterinary science; Farm Management and Community Organization and last but not least Horticulture."
